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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL

In re Application of: Andrew J. Ries et al.
 For: Connector Header Grommet for an Implantable Medical Device
 Serial No.: 10/732,940
 Filed: December 11, 2003

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the materials enclosed herewith are brought to the attention of the Examiner as possibly being of interest in connection with the above-identified patent application.

Consideration of each of the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. §609, Applicant further requests that a copy of the Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next Official Communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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	AA	2004/0122481 A1	06/24/04	Tidemand et al.	607	37	
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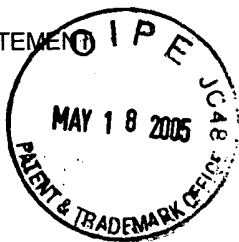
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE PUBLIC- ATION	COUNTRY	INT. CLASS	INT. SUB- CLASS	TRANSLATION	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

AY	USSN 10/732,940, filed December 11, 2003, entitled "CONNECTOR HEADER GROMMET FOR AN IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE" to Ries et al.
AZ	USSN 10/199,601, filed July 19, 2002, entitled "ULTRASONICALLY WELDED, STAKED OR SWAGED COMPONENTS IN AN IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE" to Haeg et al.

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